



PATENT  
Customer No. 22,852  
Attorney Docket No. 2405.0190-00

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of: )  
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Joost VAN NEERVEN ) Group Art Unit: 1641  
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Serial No.: 09/467,901 ) Examiner: Pensee T. Do  
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Filed: December 21, 1999 ) Confirmation No.: 2936  
)  
For: A METHOD OF DETECTING )  
AND/OR QUANTIFYING A )  
SPECIFIC IGE ANTIBODY IN A )  
LIQUID SAMPLE )

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

**AMENDMENT**

Applicant now replies to the Office Action mailed September 8, 2004, the period for response having been extended to January 8, 2005 (a Saturday) by a request for extension of one month and fee payment filed concurrently herewith. Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the claims are reflected in this paper's listing of claims, which begins at page 2. Remarks follow at page 13.